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THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banks.
THE MERCANTILE BANK OF
INDIA, LIMITED.
AUTORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,285,000
PAID-UP £585,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOHN STOCK BANK, LIMITED.
INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON NEW FIXED DEPOSITS —
For 12 Months 4 per cent.
" " " " " 21 "
" " " " " 23 "
DEPOSITS RENEWED ON OLD TERMS.

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 2nd August, 1895. [185]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-

HOLDERS £800,000

RESERVE FUND £125,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.

" " " " " 5 "
" " " " " 31 "
" " " " " 21 "
" " " " " 23 "

T. E. SANSON,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [185]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £10,000,000

RESERVE FUND £5,500,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
J. KRAMER, Esq., Chairman.
Hon. A. MACONACHE, Deputy Chairman.
Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving, S. C. Michaelson, Esq.
G. B. Dodwell, Esq.
D. R. Sasso, Esq.
M. D. Ezekiel, Esq.
R. M. Gray, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong: T. JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER:
Shanghai: H. M. BEVIS, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS: LONDON AND COUNTY
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG — INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 21 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 31 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 10th August, 1895. [183]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE BUSINESS of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 31 PER
CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [184]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorized Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £1,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:
D. Gillies, Esq.
H. Stolzenfels, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. PLAYFORD.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1893. [17]

Intimations.

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a MEET-
ING of the DIRECTORS of this
Company held at the Company's Office, Con-
nong House, Queen's Road, Central, Victoria,
Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 2nd August, 1895,
a FINAL CALL of TWENTY-FIVE CENTS
PER SHARE was made upon All Members
holding Ordinary Shares of the Company, and
that the same will be PAYABLE to the
SECRETARY or to Messrs. SYMK & CO., the Company's
Agents at Singapore, on or before TO-
MORROW, the 3rd September, 1895.

Notice is also given that, in accordance
with Clause 24 of the Company's Articles of
Association, if the sum payable in respect of
any Call be not PAID ON or before the said 3rd
September, 1895, the Holder for the time being
of the Share in respect of which the Call shall
have been made shall PAY Interest for the same,
at the rate of TEN DOLLARS per Centum per
Annum, from the said 3rd September, 1895, to
the time of the actual Payment.

SHARE-HOLDERS are requested to note
that SCRIP must be sent in when Paying Calls,
in order that such Payments may be endorsed
thereon.

By Order of the Directors,
JAMES B. DUNCAN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1895. [183]

NOTICE:

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
etc. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE: No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1895. [184]

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CHAU TSUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE: No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1895. [184]

NOTICE:

THE Undersigned is prepared to Purchase
entire HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
New or Second-hand, in any quantity.

JUAN ABRAHAM,
c/o VILLA, LOPEZ & CO.,
22, Stanley Street.
Hongkong, 31st August, 1895. [175]

NOTICE:

THE Under-signed is prepared to Purchase
entire HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
New or Second-hand, in any quantity.

CARLIMACHEL & CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1895. [185]

Insurances.

BONUS YEAR.

THE
STANDARD LIFE
ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1835.

POLICIES ISSUED IN 1894 FOR £1,792,560.
Funds £8,000,000.

The next DIVISION OF PROFITS will be
as at 15th November next.

BONUSES Declared at 15th November, 1894.
£1,000,000.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

With Profits Policies taken out before 15th
November, 1895, will rank for one year's Bonus.

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 16th August, 1895. [180]

TYphoon INSURANCE.

NOTICE.

HOUSE-OWNERS, TRUSTEES, MORT-
GAGEES and Others interested in
HOUSE PROPERTY are informed that
THE COMMERCIAL UNION INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED,

are prepared to accept Risks against LOSS or
DAMAGE by TYPHOONS at Moderate Rates.
For Particulars, apply to

W. MACBEAN,
LOCAL MANAGER, Hongkong Branch,
Connaught House,
Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1895. [185]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept First
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at
CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [181]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE CHAI ON MARINE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
etc. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 42, BONHAM STRAND WEST.
Hongkong, 22nd August, 1895. [184]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELLS 600,000 £833,333-33.

EQUAL TO \$318,000.00

RESERVE FUND \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. LO YEW MOON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHU, Esq.

MANAGER: HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, etc., taken
at CURRENT RATES in all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1895. [187]

NOTICE.

THE PO'ON MARINE INSURANCE AND
GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL: EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND
DOLLARS (\$800,000).

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

CHU SI, Chen, Esq., of Meitai, Chi Kwong
Lan.

UN CHU, Esq., of Meitai, Kung Yuen.

UN CHEUK HIN, Esq., of Meitai, Kung Yuen.

CHU SHAO, Chi, Esq., of Meitai, Chi Yat Lan.

CHU CHEK KWAN, Esq., of Meitai, Hung Kee
Hong.

Le Shat, Li, Esq., of Meitai, Quan Hing Loong.

Chi, Soi, Man, Esq., of Meitai, Chi Foo Lan.

Chi, Keung Wan, Esq., of Meitai, Tung Chan
Hong.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000

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MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
etc. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE: No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1895. [184]

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LIMITED.

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CHAU TSUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE: No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1895. [184]

NOTICE.

THE PHARMACY.

SPRAY PRODUCERS.

CUT GLASS BOTTLES.

SELTZERGENES.

MANICURE REQUIREMENTS.

PIMATO, PERFEUMERY AND TOILET WATERS.

TONIC-KOLA WINE.

GOLDEN MATE.

FARINA'S EAU DE COLOGNE.

Sole Agents for "TANSAN" the popular
Table-Water which contains 5 per cent. more
iron carbonate than that from any other
Candy-leaf Spring.

FLETCHER & CO.

CARLIMACHEL & CO., LTD.

To-day's
Advertisements.

ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASON'S HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 2nd September, at 8.30 for o'clock precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, and September, 1895. [1145]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "CITY OF PEKING." The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent,
Hongkong, and September, 1895. [1145]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT). (Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for CHINOU, TIENTSIN, NEWCHANG, HANKOW and PORTS on the YANGTZE.)

THE Company's Steamship

"CHOYSANG."

Captain Tampon, will be despatched as above

TO-MORROW, the 3rd instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers,

Hongkong, and September, 1895. [1145]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS,

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"GLENearn."

Captain Murray, will be despatched as above

TO-MORROW, the 3rd instant, at 4 P.M.

Instead of as previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents,

Hongkong, and September, 1895. [1145]

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"AMUR."

Captain Meers, will be despatched for the above

Port TOMORROW, the 3rd instant, at 5 P.M.

Taking Cargo and Passengers at through

rates for transhipment at MANILA for BAR-

CELONA, CADIZ, SANTANDER and other

SPANISH PORTS.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First Class Saloon is situated amidships; and the Vessel is fitted throughout with

Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

VILLA, LOPEZ & CO., Agents,

Hongkong, and September, 1895. [1159]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship

"THALES."

Captain H. Bathurst, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 5th instant, at

Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIR & CO., General Managers,

Hongkong, and September, 1895. [1152]

"UNION" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"GUILDHALL."

Captain McGregor, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about MONDAY, the 9th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN & CO., Agents,

Hongkong, and September, 1895. [1151]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR VLADIVOSTOCK, VIA SHANGHAI, CHEFOO AND NAGASAKI.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to KOREAN PORTS).

THE Steamship

"GHAZEE."

Captain D. S. Bailey, will be despatched as above

on or about MONDAY, the 9th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,

Hongkong, and September, 1895. [1154]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR KORE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Charterd Steamer

"CAM."

Captain Mathias, will be despatched as above

on or about TUESDAY, the 10th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,

Hongkong, and September, 1895. [1155]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.

(Calling at PEKING if Indemnity offers.)

THE Company's Steamship

"HIROSHIMA MARU."

will be despatched as above on THURSDAY,

the 12th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,

Hongkong, and September, 1895. [1156]

To-day's
Advertisements.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

CORPS ORDERS FOR WEEK COMMENCING
2ND SEPTEMBER, 1895.

No. 270.—CAMPS OF INSTRUCTION.—A Camp of Instruction will be held at Staatenberg's Island from the 18th to the 28th October, 1895.

The principal objects of this Camp are—

1. The carrying out of the Annual Gunnery

and Musketry Practices.

2. Instruction in Outposts, Advanced and Rear Guards and Reconnoitring.

3. Duties of Guards and Sentries.

Every Member is requested to do his utmost

to attend the whole part of the time.

Full details will be circulated to Members

later on.

FIELD BATTERY.

CLOTHING.—All white clothing

in possession of Members should be returned to

Headquarter Stores as soon as possible.

GENERAL.

No. 281.—INSTITUTE.—The Volunteer Institute has now been opened for the use of all Members of the Corps and no further subscriptions will be collected.

By Order,

C. MURRAY ADAMSON,

Captain and Acting Adjutant,

H.K.C.

Hongkong, and September, 1895. [1178]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

NO.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of

Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction,

to be held on the spot, on

MONDAY,

the 9th day of September, 1895, at 3 P.M., are

published for general information.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,

Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, 23rd August, 1895. [1179]

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by

Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday,

the 9th day of September, 1895, at 3 P.M., by Order

of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of

CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong,

for a term of 999 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale:

Ref. No.

Locality:

Boundary Measure-

ments:

in ft.

ft.</p

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1895.

And, lastly (c), expatriation within judicious limits. The traditional adventurous spirit of our forefathers which led to our ultimate settlement here affords an example, and the most potent impetus for the need to seek green fields and pastures new. It is at the present stage impossible to advance any opinion beyond a mere conjecture as to the possibilities on the opening up of the wealthy countries on the banks of the Seikang may afford to the youth of Hongkong. A demand for labour and of the class they are so eminently suited for might relieve almost entirely the alleged congestion we now complain of. It should place within the reach of the rising generation the means whereby little fortunes may with time and THRIFT be amassed for their permanent well-being and the well-being of those who are to follow them.

Taking an utterly pessimistic view of affairs and granting that prospects—dark and dreary—remain very much as they are present for another generation or two, there is no alternative but our sublimation to the inexorable Law of Nature—THE SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST!

Your obedient servant,
J. P. BRAGA,
Hongkong, September 2nd, 1895.

SERIOUS SHOOTING AFFRAY AT SINGAPORE.

Singapore, August 23rd.

Yesterday afternoon a serious shooting affray occurred at the Waverley Hotel, in Hill Street, whereby Charles Woodward, the proprietor of Woodward's Circus, narrowly escaped with his life. As has already been noted, Woodward's Circus Company arrived at Singapore from Western Australia by the steamer *Sulphur* in the early part of the present week. A portion of the Company is putting up at the Waverley Hotel, amongst them being George Laurence, who, it is alleged, is financing the show. Yesterday, Woodward went out to see about some money matters in connection with the passing of the Circus here, and on his return to the hotel he was questioned by Laurence as to the amount of money which he had for the Company. Woodward said he had so much; but Laurence stoutly asserted that the amount stated was but one sovereign, and was obstinate on the point, notwithstanding Woodward's assertions to the contrary. Words ran pretty high until at last Laurence seemed to have lost his temper and to have struck Woodward, who, being much his physical superior, at once returned the blow with great effect. There was a little quietness after that. Woodward turned out his pockets before Laurence and by so doing demonstrated that he was not attempting to cheat. Laurence then went to his room and apparently the affair was over. After remaining at the bar for a little while, Woodward was just leaving the premises when Laurence again appeared and called after Woodward, "Come here, Charley." Woodward turned and commenced to walk in the direction of Laurence, when the latter exclaimed "You think you have done for me don't you?" Immediately, with that remark, Laurence whipped up his right hand, which had been at his side, and, pointing a revolver point blank at Woodward's head, fired. Woodward ducked, and not a moment too soon, for the bullet whizzed by the back of his neck, scorching the skin. Woodward jumped forward, seized Laurence by the throat with his right hand, and gripped Laurence's right arm just below the shoulder with his left. Both men fell to the ground. Woodward literally struggling for his life. Laurence managed to have his revolver arm freed as to press the barrel of the weapon on Woodward's head, but he was not squarely on. Woodward, when he felt the trigger being pressed, ducked his head, and twice by this means managed to get clear from the course of the bullet. Assistance then came to hand from other members of the Circus who wrested the revolver from Laurence, and Detective Inspector Dickson, who happened to be passing at the time at once marched Laurence to the lockup. Laurence was before the magistrate this morning charged with attempting to commit murder; and also charged on a second count with voluntarily causing hurt. The case was postponed. It will be an acute case.—*Straits Times*.

JAPAN AND SPAIN.

THE DILIMITATION OF BOUNDARIES.

As the result of the conferences that have recently been held between the acting Japanese Minister of Foreign Affairs and the newly arrived Minister of Spain at Tokio, a Declaration has, as already briefly announced in these columns, been agreed upon defining the limits of the boundaries between the territories of Japan and Spain in the Western Pacific. The Declaration, published in the Japanese *Official Gazette*, reads, according to the *Japan Mail*, as follows:—

The Governments of His Majesty the Emperor of Japan and His Majesty the King of Spain, being equally desirous of promoting the cordial relations existing between the two countries, and believing it conducive to the attainment of the aforesaid object to make a clear definition of the boundary line between the territories of the two countries in the western part of the Pacific, the undersigned, Marquis Salón Klimmehl, His Imperial Majesty's Minister of State for Education and Acting Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, and Don José de la Rica y Calvo, His Royal Spanish Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary, deplored by their respective Governments, do hereby agree upon and determine the following Declaration:—

First, a line, parallel to a latitude passing through the middle of the navigable part of the Bosphorus Channel, shall, under the present declaration, mark the boundary between the territories of the Pacific.

Secondly, the Government of Spain declares that it shall never lay claim to the islands lying to the north and north-east of the above-mentioned boundary line.

Thirdly, the Government of Japan declares that it shall never lay claim to the islands lying to the south and south-east of the above-mentioned boundary line.

In witness whereof we make, and put our names to two copies of the declaration, in Tokio, this 7th day of the 8th month, of the 25th year of Meiji, or the 9th August, 1895.

(Signed) Marquis SAIJOH KIMMEOH,
Don JOSE DE LA RICA Y CALVO.

THE JAPANESE PRESS ON THE DECLARATION.

Some of the Japanese journals express discontent with the Declaration recently concluded between the Japanese Minister of Foreign Affairs and the Representative of Spain, delimiting the boundary between the dominions of the two countries in the Western Pacific. It appears from the following clipping from the *Yedo Mail* that their reasons for such dissatisfaction are not unanimous. The *Yedo Shimbun*, for instance, states that "the Japanese cannot but be displeased with this Declaration, as it is an impediment to their policy of southward development, but because they perceive that the Spanish Government is incapable of understanding them." The Spanish Government, writes our contemporary, has shown much eagerness to conclude the diplomatic arrangement in question, because

it had a misgiving that Japan might encroach upon its dominions. "Japan," continues the same paper, "will not be guilty of such a proceeding without due and urgent reason; though she will not hesitate to take up arms against any Power that disturbs the peace of the East and injures her interests. If the Spanish Government is really so solicitous about the safety of the Philippine Islands, the best course for it to pursue would be to join Japan in opposing such Powers as may be inclined to disturb the peace of the East. Japan's ambition is to preserve the peace of the East and of the world. Instead of wasting time in the conclusion of a useless agreement like the one under review, we are disposed to think that the statement of Mar's would be better employed in reforming the administration of the Philippine Islands, where things are in a state of considerable confusion, and in restoring order in the much harassed island of Cuba, where anarchy prevails."

The *Kokinshu Shimbun* is even more outspoken. It writes in the following strain:—"The occupied of Formosa is not the termination but the commencement of Japan's development in the south. It is not the enterprising spirit of our people already hovering over the region beyond the Babus Channel? Believing that a time will soon come when Formosa will be too small to receive the surplus of the Japanese population, we did not doubt but that our Government has some great scheme in contemplation against that contingency. We are astonished to hear that a cautious covenant has been entered into defining the boundaries between the two countries. Spain is simply like a fox which assumes his under the protection of a tiger. Alarmed by the southward march of Japan, she applied for the assistance of Russia, France, and Germany in order to prevent the occupation of Formosa by this country. She then changed her front, and demanded delimitation of boundaries. For a small and weak State like Spain, such conduct is impudent, to say the least. Whether or not a declaration like the one just concluded is of any necessity to Spain, we do not know. But so far as Japan is concerned, there is not the slightest necessity for such an agreement. On the contrary, it hampers the freedom of our expansion in the South, and impedes the carrying out of our great policy of national development. The relative position of Japan and Spain is not directly affected by this Declaration, but it places Japan under a sort of moral obligation to the rest of the world, and one which cannot but restrict her freedom of action. It is our earnest wish that this compact should be rescinded on a suitable opportunity occurring. However, we must not be understood as advocating the expansion of Japan toward the south by force of arms; our idea is that the national movement in that direction should be allowed to take its natural course, and that anything that impedes that course ought to be removed."

THE "NICKI NICKI" TO THE RESCUE.

The effervescent silliness of some of the metropolitan papers on the subject of the declaration about the boundary line between the territories of Japan and Spain in the Western Pacific, has, says the ever watchful *Yedo Mail*, called forth well deserved ridicule and a rebuke from the *Nicki Nicki Shimbun*. That Spain has shown needless anxiety and excitement in taking a precipitate step to secure the delimitation of the boundaries between her colonial possessions and Japan's newly acquired territory, is fully acknowledged by our contemporary, which also refers to the unreasonable alarm caused in Madrid in 1893 by the news that Japan had annexed three little islands in the neighbourhood of the Ogasawara (Bonin) group. The Spanish Government hastily concluded that the islands in question belonged to the Mariana group. That Government's action on the present occasion was caused by some irresponsible writings in the columns of the Japanese newspaper. Had it been England or Russia, the utterances of such journals would have remained unnoticed. But the Spaniards, possessing the hot blood of the Latin race, their easily excitable nature would not permit them to assume an attitude of calm dignity. Indeed, their sensitiveness, in the *Nicki Nicki*'s opinion, borders on a definite disorder of mental balance. Thus, so far as the conduct of Spain herself is concerned, our contemporary has little to admire; but at the same time it maintains that there is no reason why Japan should not sympathize with the fears or foibles of her friendly neighbour and treat her with consideration, especially when so doing she is in no danger of impairing her own interests in the slightest degree. The *Nicki Nicki*, therefore, fails to understand why, as one journal states, the Japanese should feel displeased on account of the hasty conduct of the Spanish Government. Still more difficult to comprehend is the extraordinary statement made by another paper, that the declaration in question restrains the freedom of Japan's expansion in the south. "It is our contemporary," by expansion he means encroachment by force; it would be better to carry out the design at once without giving Spain time for preparation. But if the phrase he used in the sense of the promotion of our influence by peaceful intercourse and commerce, then nothing is more urgent than that a new treaty should be concluded with Spain so that our countrymen may obtain the right of free access to her possessions. Wood, it is not, then, the height of folly to refuse a harmless agreement to her, and thus retard the consummation of the object of peaceful expansion in the South?" The *Nicki Nicki*, in conclusion, strongly condemns the ignorant and irresponsible abilities in which some of its contemporaries are too prone to indulge on international questions.

SPORTING NEWS.

LATEST AMERICAN ITEMS.

AMERICAN "BLOODS" TO RUN ON THE ENGLISH TURF.

SARATOGA, (N. Y.) July 30th.

August Belmont's three-year-old, Keenan, bought at the Gideons & Da's sale for \$18,500, has been lame for several days. It was because of this lameness that he did not start in the Traverse. Dr. Shepard examined him, but was unable to locate the trouble. John Hyland, who is thoroughly familiar with Keenan, says his foot was probably cut away too much by the man who last plaited him, and that the trouble will not be serious. It is now believed that Belmont will take Keenan and Hastings to England with him next season and race them there.

It is known that Pierre Lorillard has made all arrangements for a long campaign in England, and that he expects to repeat his memorable success of a dozen years ago, when Irongroves snatched the blue ribbon of the English turf from the best three-year-olds in the Kingdom. John Huggins will train and manage the stable. Henry Griffin may be taken over as first jockey, although there will undoubtedly be lively bidding for the greatest ride now in saddle if Gideons decides not to engage him.

THE CORBETT DIVORCE CASE.

NEW YORK, August 1st.

Judge Gildersleeve, in the special term of the Superior Court to-day signed the decree, granting Ollie Corbett an absolute divorce from James J. Corbett, the pugilist.

By the terms of the decree Mrs. Corbett may resume her maiden name of Ollie Lee, and may also marry again, but she shall avail herself of this latter privilege the Anthony of \$100 a year.

The Spanish Government, writes our contemporary, has shown much eagerness to conclude the diplomatic arrangement in question, because

it had a misgiving that Japan might encroach upon its dominions. "Japan," continues the same paper, "will not be guilty of such a proceeding without due and urgent reason; though she will not hesitate to take up arms against any Power that disturbs the peace of the East and injures her interests. If the Spanish Government is really so solicitous about the safety of the Philippine Islands, the best course for it to pursue would be to join Japan in opposing such Powers as may be inclined to disturb the peace of the East. Japan's ambition is to preserve the peace of the East and of the world. Instead of wasting time in the conclusion of a useless agreement like the one under review, we are disposed to think that the statement of Mar's would be better employed in reforming the administration of the Philippine Islands, where things are in a state of considerable confusion, and in restoring order in the much harassed island of Cuba, where anarchy prevails."

Corbett's counsel, while making no objection

to the filing of the decree obtained an agreement with Howe & Hammel, Mrs. Corbett's counsel, which was sanctioned by the Corbett incorporated in the decree to the effect that

Corbett at any time suffer financial reverses he may make application to the Court to have the question of alimony reopened with a view to having the annual allowance of Mrs. Corbett reduced in accordance with Corbett's circumstances.

Under the decree Corbett will not be permitted to marry within the boundaries of New York State, but he may do so in any other State, if he considers such a course necessary to his happiness. Should he do so and visit New York thereafter he would suffer arrest for bigamy, and a trial and contempt of court.

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Corbett is said to be very angry with his divorced wife for suing for a divorce. After their separation he offered to give her \$100 a week for life and a fine piece of property in New York to her. She refused the offer partly with a view of having her revenge in exposing Corbett's infidelities and partly in the hope of getting more alimony. In this she was unsuccessful, although she succeeded in exposing Corbett's relations with the Stanhope woman.

THE FASTEST TROTTER IN THE WORLD.

CLEVELAND, August 1st.

The fourth day of the grand circuit meeting at Glenview made up for the rather ordinary races of the previous days the events being of the most exciting nature. The weather was nearly perfect, being only a trifling ten or so, and the attendance was not up to expectations. Between 10,000 and 12,000 persons saw the "King" Robert J., dethroned by Joe Patchen in a race equal which has seldom been seen. Such an event was scarcely dreamed of.

So sure a winner did Robert J. with his time of 2:01, appear before the race that he was barred in the betting and Directly sold favorite for place. Besides the two mentioned Joe-Patchen, Saladin and Mascot were entered.

When the horses scored for the first heat

Directly had the pole, but soon after the start Robert J. forged to the front, setting the pace for his competitor and leading to the wire.

Joe Patchen was the only one that did not cover the mile without a break. On the stretch, when he was rapidly overhauling Robert J. he struck a wet piece of track, went into the air and finished a close second. Robert J. was driven hard and it was evident that he had done his best when he made the wire in 2:05. Joe Patchen won the second heat in 2:04.

The champion was selling favorite in the third heat, but when the big black stallion again outfoxed and won, despite Robert J.'s fast finish, the betting shifted and it was 3 to 10 on Joe Patchen, and a 2 to 1 on Robert J.

The fourth heat was the race of Joe Patchen's life, for Geers was determined that his great gelding should not be beaten, and they came down the stretch like a whirlwind. Again Joe Patchen was too much for the champion and fairly outfoxed him amid the wildest cheering.

The great race not only lowered the track record for a mile in a race, but broke the fourheat race record of the world. The time was 2:05.2, 2:04.2, 2:05.2, 2:05.4.

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crew of the British steamer *Cleveland*, from the Mediterranean which sank in a collision with the British tank steamer *Duffield*, Captain Low, from Philadelphia for Havre, France. The *Duffield* is understood to have rescued five other members of the crew of the *Cleveland*, but seven are still missing. The steamer *Cleveland* registered 2,402 tons.

QUEENSTOWN, July 20th.

The larger *Zembla* has been burned by Baltimore Cork county. Nine men are missing, and eighteen were rescued by the coast guard.

The details of the burning of the *Zembla* show that she had on board a crew of six men and twenty-one passengers on a pleasure trip from Gladmore, to which place they were returning from Baltimore when flames burst through the hatchway. A panic followed, and a boat was lowered and swammed by the crew which clambered into it. During the confusion nine persons were drowned. The skipper of the *Zembla* then ran her ashore, and the remainder of the passengers and crew were rescued by the coast guard.

NEW YORK, July 20th.

The Cruiser *Aurora*, Captain MacKay, from Liverpool and Queenstown, which yesterday was reported in distress about 600 miles east of Sandy Hook, arrived here to-day with all on board safe and well.

Captain MacKay reports that on July 25th, during clear and calm weather, he was obliged to stop the ship, owing to a fracture in the main steam pipe. Repairs were completed after a stoppage of thirty-seven hours.

The *Aurora* then proceeded under reduced speed, at the rate of thirteen knots, without further accident.

NEW YORK, August 4th.

Evidence of tendency of foreigners to turn toward United States yards for the coming ship-builders of the world has just been given in the award to Lewis Nixon of the contract for building a steamer for traffic on the Orinoco river. There was active bidding for the construction of this vessel by both English and French builders, because it is likely that other orders for similar steamers will follow this first one.

The Crescent ship-yard is practically a New York concern, being situated on the bay of New York, and this foreign contract is one of the first that have been awarded in this country recently.

LETTERS FOR MERCHANT SHIPS.

It is stated in the *Government Gazette* of the 1st ultmo that letters and papers are lying at the Post Office addressed to the following vessels:-

Address.	Letter.	Paper.
Abana	6	
Adwa	1	
Aisou	1	
Bithell	4	
Brundis	1	
Batoni	1	
Beatrice	1	
Cass	1	
Cetis Ratis	1	
Chibeton	1	
Chitlong	1	
Cumbusdon	5	
Deule	1	
Dante	2	
Dryfords (t.v.)	1	
Eisca	4	
Engelhorn (t.v.)	13	
Elax	1	
Ewanda	1	
G. R. Booth	1	
Gibet	1	
Goy Manning	3	
Heleia Brun	1	
Homan Wedel Jarlsberg	1	
Jallenga	1	
Klity	1	
Endore	1	
Maria Teresa	1	
Morion	14	4
Munecaster Castle	1	
Obl	1	
Ornolston	1	
Oboron	1	
Pagio	1	
Renow	1	
Samang	1	
Stansfield	1	
Skimming	1	
Spondol	1	
St. Francis	1	
Turis	1	
Torridale	1	
Velosity	3	
Wakeford	1	
Ward Wal	1	
York	2	

THE HONGKONG GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

(Saturday, 31st August, 1895.)

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS:-

No. 368.—An Order of the Queen-in-Council making rules under section 8, sub-section 3, of the *Mail Ships Act, 1892*. These rules have reference to the proceedings in actions brought against small ships which have given security to Her Majesty's Government and which are in virtue thereof exempted from detention in Admiralty proceedings.

No. 369.—Contains an additional regulation made under the *Licensing, Consolidation, Ordinance, 1887* and *The Private Vehicles Licence Ordinance, 1895*.

No. 370.—Minutes of proceedings at a meeting of the Military Board on the 15th ultmo.

No. 371.—Notifies that Her Majesty has not been advised to exercise her power of disallowance with respect to an *Ordinance, Regulations and Rules for the Quartering of Naval and Military Forces*; an *Ordinance to amend the Magistrate's Ordinance No. 10 of 1890*, and an *Ordinance for the naturalisation of Samuel Donenborg*.

No. 372.—Announces the appointment of Mr. Thomas Bercombe-Smith as a member of the Squatters' Board. In accordance with the provisions of section 9 of the *Squatters' Ordinance, 1890*.

No. 373.—The *Closed Houses and Insanitary Dwellings Ordinance, No. 15 of 1894*, relating to cocklits and cubicles.

No. 374.—Notifies that the Fairway Buoys at the West End of the Central Parkway in Hongkong Harbour will in future be marked at night by a red light on each side.

No. 375.—Tenders are invited, up to noon of the 1st instant, for the construction of a new storm-water drain in Elgin Road, Kowloon.

No. 376.—Tenders will be received for the purchase of the steam launch *Charles May* up to noon of the 24th proximo.

NOTICE.—

In re the KAU CHONG SHOE. Four Writs returned in Squintary jurisdiction on the 12th instant by Messrs. Johnson, Stokoe and Mander, solicitors for the plaintiffs.

In re LEE PANG CHU: Two writs returned in Squintary jurisdiction on the 4th instant by Messrs. W. W. Johnson and Grist, solicitors for the plaintiffs.

The *Gazette* also contains the usual list of unclaimed telegrams, dated 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 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